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APPLICANTS : Eric M. Monroe, *et al.*
SERIAL NO. : 09/894,904
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FOR : SYSTEM, METHOD, AND ARTICLE OF
MANUFACTURE FOR MAINTAINING AND
ACCESSING A WHOIS DATABASE
GROUP ART UNIT : 2161
EXAMINER : Te Y. Chen

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

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Sir:

On June 27, 2005 Applicants' undersigned representative called the Examiner to indicate that the application claims priority from a provisional application that predates the date of the cited Bero patent, and that Bero is thus not prior art against the application. It was pointed out that the Examiner's assertion of the argument being untimely was improper. The Examiner agreed to look at this issue.

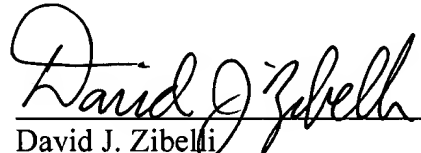
On June 28, Applicants' undersigned representative again telephoned the Examiner, and agreed to withdraw this argument to advance prosecution, and to file a response substantively

traversing the rejection over the Bero reference. This withdrawal is not a surrender of the claim for priority from the parent provisional application. This response was filed on July 28, and this Statement of the Substance of the Interview was mistakenly not included with the July 28 Response. It is noted that the Examiner's Interview Summary gives a time period of one month to file this statement , and that time period does not expire until August 5, 2005.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 220-4200 to discuss any matter concerning this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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